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SUBJECT: PATTERSON KIDNAPPING; FUNDS FOR RANSOM

REF: STATE 72342

FOR DEPUTY UNDER SECRETARY BROWN FROM AMBASSADOR JOVA

1. WE ARE VERY GRATEFUL FOR YOUR SUPPORT ON THIS SUBJECT.
THE FAVORABLE RESPONSE TO OUR INITIATIVE REQUESTING THE
AUTHORIZATION OF FUNDS FOR USE IN SOLICITING INFORMATION LEADING
TO THE SAFE RETURN OF PATTERSON HAS, WE BELIEVE, ALREADY BORNE
FRUIT.
2. UPON RECEIPT OF REFTEL, WE APPROACHED APPROPRIATE OFFICIAL IN
GOM. HIS RESPONSE WAS PROMPT AND HEARTENING IN THAT HE SAID GOM
ITSELF WOULD IMMEDIATELY DISPOSE FOR THIS USE 25,000 PESOS
(ROUGHLY \$2000) ALONG THE LINES WE HAD PROPOSED, I.E. THROUGH
MEXICAN AUTHORITIES TO INFORMANTS WITHOUT PUBLIC NOTIFICATION.
OUR OFFER TO GOM WE BELIEVE NOT ONLY IMPRESSED GOM WITH OUR SINCERITY
AND DETERMINATION TO RESOLVE THIS CASE THUS ENCOURAGING
SIMILAR ATTITUDE ON THEIR PART BUT ALSO ELICITED PROMPT RESPONSE
NOTED ABOVE. HAD WE MADE "NIGGARDLY" BUREAUCRATIC APPROACH
PROPOSED ORIGINALLY, I DOUBT WE WOULD HAVE STIMULATED THE PRESENT
CABALLEROSO RESPONSE OF GOM.
3. WE WISH TO CONSIDER FURTHER APPROPRIATE USE OF FUNDS
AUTHORIZED IN REFTEL EITHER IN SOME PARALLEL EFFORT OR TO
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SUPPORT GOM EFFORTS IF FUNDS IT ALLOCATES PROVE INSUFFICIENT.

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